

COUNCIL COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

STREETS AND FRANCHISE COMMITTEE June 9, 1964:

Present: M. B (Mike) Mitchell
P. J. Alexander
A. L. Kramer
Ray Eckmann

Mayor's Office

Rec'd. Mayor's Office	<i>[Signature]</i>
Route To:	
Action: JUN 18 1964	<i>[Signature]</i>

RESOLUTION

Disposition

19216 Northeast 135th Street, et al. Concrete Sidewalks,
etc.

** Indefinitely
postponed.

This action resulted from a split vote of the four members present. Councilmen Alexander and Eckmann voted to indefinitely postpone, Councilmen Mitchell and Kramer to proceed with the project.

In view of the Charter requirement for grading projects initiated by resolution, which requires a unanimous vote of all members of the Council present, one negative vote on this project would have killed the project.

This action was taken after a hearing lasting over two hours. The City Engineer outlined the manner in which the project was initiated and the demand of the Lake City Commercial Club that the project be expedited. The City Engineer stated that the percent of protest was 42.88% at the hearing and that the objectors at the hearing stated repeatedly that if the improvement proceeded, it would deprive the business properties of badly needed parking space which allegedly could result in failure of their businesses. The objectors in the residential area contend that the project was too expensive and unnecessary. Only one person in the crowded lobby spoke in favor of this project and his assessment was relatively small.

All members of the Committee expressed themselves as wholeheartedly in favor of the project and admonished the property owners for not approving it. However, Councilman Alexander, in moving to indefinitely postpone the project, stated that he was convinced, as a result of the sentiment expressed at the hearing, that the objectors in the six weeks they would still have to secure protests, could obtain the necessary 60% and that in his opinion there was no sense in ordering the project.

The Chairman announced that the project would go to the City Council on a divided report, leaving it to the Council whether it should be ordered or not. Councilman Alexander stated that in his opinion the project was dead because of the charter requirement for a unanimous vote and he was supported in this opinion by the City Engineer.

As both of the two pilot projects which were initiated for sidewalk construction in the north end annexed areas have now been killed by protest of property owners, the Committee announced that no further projects would be undertaken in this area by the City under the resolutions heretofore referred to the City Engineer. It did agree, however, that if majority petitions were submitted to the Council, it would authorize the preparation of the necessary plans and estimates for the areas involved in the petitions.

TOTAL COST:	Petition	0.47%
	Cond'l. Pet.	1.76%
	Net Petition	2.23%
	City of Seattle	
	Fire Dept.	0.82%
	Water Dept.	0.71%
	Seattle School	
	Dist. No. 1	2.93%
	City of Seattle	
	Light Dept.	0.15%
	Park Dept.	0.73%
	Protest	42.88%

**See P.S. attached.

RESOLUTION

19216 (Continued)

P.S. Following the hearing on this project, the City Engineer discussed it with various members of the City Council and particularly with the two who had voted "No" at the hearing.

It was finally agreed by all members of the Committee that, in view of the fact that the area involved in this project is where the school girl was killed in a traffic accident four years ago and the agitation for sidewalks which followed, the Committee would unanimously vote to order the work and leave it to the property owners who were opposing the improvement to obtain a 60% petition to deprive the Council of jurisdiction. In this way, the onus for some future accident which might occur as a result of not having sidewalks would be on the property owners who rejected the improvement and not the City Council.

At the Council meeting Monday, June 15, the Committee's report to order the work was unanimously adopted and the council bill authorizing the improvement was introduced.

FILESDisposition

250959	Property Owners	Petition for improvement of South Myrtle Street from Rainier Avenue South to Seward Park Avenue South, by Paving, etc.	Amend Res. No. 19631 to include this improvement.
250921	Mrs. Barbara S. Riggs	Petition re house at 2124 N. 85th St. and date it will be appraised for use for Freeway.	Grant. Notify the City Engineer.
250064	Property Owners	Petition for vacation of portion of Alley adjoining B. 36, Rainier Blvd. 5th Add.	Set for hearing July 14, 1964.
250537	Board of Public Works	Communication recommending a new ordinance to replace Ord. 51850, re Arcade Bldg. and Realty Co. tunnel under 1st Avenue between University and Union.	Set for hearing June 23, 1964.
251030	City Engineer	Petition for agreement with the Municipality of Metropolitan Seattle re maintenance of certain sewer facilities.	Grant. Prepare ordinance.

COUNCIL BILLS

84485	Authorizing the payment of taxes and assessments and transferring to the jurisdiction of the City Engineering Department certain property in the northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 26 North, Range 4 East, W.M., for street purposes and laying off North 95th Street.	*Pass.
84488	Accepting deeds from Union Oil Company of California to portions of the northwest one-quarter of the northwest one-quarter of Section 19, Township 26 North, Range 4 East, W.M., for street purposes and laying off Greenwood Avenue North.	Pass.
84489	Accepting easements from Arnold L. Aizstraits and others across portions of the northwest one-quarter of the northwest one-quarter of Section 20, Township 26 North, Range 4 East, W.M., for slope purposes.	Pass.
84490	Accepting deeds from Ernest L. Champagne and others to portions of the north one-half of Tract 48 of Spring Hill Villa Tracts for alley purposes and laying off a public alley.	Pass.
84486	Relating to the business of "Motor Vehicle Wrecker" and amending Section 338 of Ordinance 48022 (License Code) to regulate fence and wall openings for access to public ways. (File No. 250460)	Concur with License Committee.

HEARING SET

Resolution No. 18539	38th Avenue Northeast, et al. Paving, etc.	Set for hearing July 21,
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PARKS AND PUBLIC GROUNDS COMMITTEE June 9, 1964:FILES

250925	Petition of Seattle Housing Authority re possible acquisition of property at Empire Way and Alaska.	Hold.
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FILESDisposition

250925 (continued)

Hold, pending report from the City Treasurer.

The City Engineer advised the Committee that the Treasurer had not received any information from the State as to whether it expected to relinquish its interest in the property in accordance with the lease recently negotiated and that he was also concerned with the question of whether this property would be required in the future extension of the R. H. Thomson Expressway. Until these matters had been determined, the Treasurer would probably not be submitting a report.

251014 Petition of Board of Park Commissioners for appropriation for condemnation costs on park, recreation and harbor patrol property under Ord. 91912 (Burke's 1st Add. and Lake Union Shorelands).

*Grant.

Prepare ordinance in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Park Commissioners on the basis of the Police Dept. paying \$125,000 and the Park Dept. \$37,000 for a total of \$162,000. The awards were in the sum of \$157,000, the additional sum appropriated representing costs and interest.

251016 Petition of Board of Park Commissioners re acquisition of property across from the Seattle Center at Denny Way, Broad & 3rd Avenue for a small park.

Grant.

Grant in accordance with the Board of Park Commissioners. Refer to Planning Commission for further study.

251035 Report of Corporation Counsel on award for condemnation for park, recreation and harbor patrol purposes (Burke's 1st Add. and Lake Union Shorelands) under Ord. 91912.

*Accept awards.

Accept awards; such acceptance to be expressed in the ordinance to be provided under File No. 251014.

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PLANNING AND CODES COMMITTEE June 10, 1964:

250974 Appeal of the City Engineer from the decision of the Board of Adjustment of the Planning Commission on variance applications (for permit to reduce the lot area of property in the Single Family Residence Medium Density (RS 7200) Zone to less than minimum required size -- Ref. Sec. 5.2 & 7.52 --) at:

13005 3rd Ave. N.E.
116 N.E. 130th St.
122 N.E. 130th St.
128 N.E. 130th St.
132 N.E. 130th St.
138 N.E. 130th St.
144 N.E. 130th St.
150 N.E. 130th St.
2322 N. 130th St.
2314 N. 130th St.

2136 N. 130th St.
2138 N. 130th St.
2126 N. 130th St.
13002 Meridian Ave. N.
2333 N. 130th St.
13002 1st Ave. N.E.
12823 Northpark Ave. N.
12826 Northpark Ave. N.
1454 N. 130th St.
412 North 103rd St.

Sustain appeal.
Request Corporation Counsel to draw up statement of fact with Councilman Luke for Committee.
Notify petitioner, Board of Adjustment and Supt. of Bldgs.

241744 Recommendation of City Planning Commission that City urge passage of state legislation to protect the buyer of buildings from loss due to zoning regulations not mentioned by seller.

Refer to the Legislative Committee for consideration.

*Concurred in by Finance Committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE June 10, 1964:

Disposition

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250710	Petition of Mrs. John Isreal against use of alley by neighbors for garbage cans, picnic tables, cuttings and play pens.	File.
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PERSONNEL AND JUDICIARY COMMITTEE June 11, 1964:

251000	Petition of Professional and Technical Engineers Association, Local No. 17, for adjustment of wages and working conditions of City Light Engineering employees working on Boundary Dam Project.	*Refer to City Light for Report.
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CITY UTILITIES June 11, 1964:

249542	Petition of residents for new florescent street lighting on 20th Avenue East, between Republican and Aloha Streets.	Grant.
250552	Petition of West Seattle Kiwanis Club for better street lighting in Sealth High School area (Southwest Thistle between 35th Avenue Southwest and Delridge Way).	Grant.
250815	Petition of Virginia Mason Hospital for use of underground wiring on 9th Avenue and in the First Hill Area.	Grant per City Light recommendation.
250843	Petition of First Hill Improvement Club, Inc., for study of possibility of making the First Hill Area an underground wiring area.	Grant per City Light recommendation.
251001	Copy of Letter received by Mayor regarding underground power lines on First Hill.	File.

*Concurred in by Finance Committee.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE June 11, 1964:

251018	Petition of City Engineer for approp. for awards for condemnation of North and Northeast 130th Street.	Grant. Prepare ordinance.
251023	Petition of Mayor for approp. for work in connection with expansion of the Urban Renewal Offices.	Grant. Prepare ordinance.

COUNCIL BILL

84480	Relat. to the Sewerage Utility and making an approp. from the Sewer Fd. in settlement of a cert. damage claim. (File C-13902) (\$526.25)	Pass.
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